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REVIEW OF DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION'S REQUEST FOR REORGANIZATION

Department of Parks and Recreation (Parks) has submitted a request for reorganization as part of their final changes for the 2001-02 budget and in response to their Management Audit. Parks has met with each Board office, the Chief Administrative Office (CAO), and the Auditor-Controller on their proposed reorganization. At these meetings, the Board offices were informed that the CAO would not be recommending any funding for a reorganization in final changes and that any reorganization should be done within the constraints of Parks existing budget. The Board offices requested that the CAO review and provide a recommendation of the proposed reorganization presented by Parks as if funding were available for this reorganization.

The CAO and Department of Human Resources (DHR) have been working with Parks in analyzing the reorganization request. At this point, we are not ready to present a final recommendation as there are several components of Parks request that require further discussion and analysis. Parks is working to provide additional information so that this office can present a recommendation to your Board on the reorganization and the necessary funding. While we are ready to recommend certain aspects of the reorganization, such as the formation of a regional agency and an operations office, we are not ready to recommend what staffing level should be allocated to implement these changes.

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We will continue to work with Parks and DHR for a final recommendation to your Board on Parks' proposed reorganization. We would recommend that if your Board does want to allocate funding for this reorganization, that the funds be placed in Provisional Financing Uses until the proposed reorganization has been fully analyzed.

You may call me if you have any questions, or your staff can call Darolyn Jensen at (213) 974-1135.

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